

# **METHOD AND SYSTEM TO REMOTELY ENABLE SOFTWARE- BASED OPTIONS FOR A TRIAL PERIOD**

## **Abstract of Disclosure**

A system and method to remotely enable software based options for a trial period in remote equipment is disclosed. The invention includes receiving and authenticating a user, and receiving an option-enabling request from the user specifying the particular option requested to be enabled in a particular piece of equipment at a remote location. A system I.D. is validated, and the system ensures that the option has not already been enabled at least once before, and if it has not, a software enabling key is generated and sent to activate the option in the remote equipment.